Advice for People with Problems

Bribes No Substitute for Mother's Affection

By Ann Landers

ANN LANDERS

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DEAR ANN LANDERS: What do you think of a mother who is afraid to come home from shopping without gifts for her three children?

I've seen this woman run herself dizzy trying to get "something different," and this is no small feat, when one considers her children already have everything under the sun that money can buy.

When she can't find a gift, she gives them each a dollar bill "so they won't feel that mummy has forgotten them." I wouldn't care, except this woman is my wife and I think she's making a terrible mistake. She claims the kids have a feeling of security when Mummy remembers them on every shopping trip.

Is she right? Please discuss this in your column. When she uses those high-sounding phrases I'm no match for her. —OUT-TALKED.

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Dear Out: When a mother is so driven that she must bring home a gift for her children every time she returns from a shopping trip (or pay off in cash) something is wrong.

It means she feels guilty about not "delivering" in other areas, and is trying to make up for it.

Children would much rather have time spent on them than money. The smallest child knows when he is being bribed. So, tell your wife to get smart. The best gift a mother and father can give their children cannot be bought in any store. It is love, attention, patience, and time together—and it doesn't cost a dime.

DEAR ANN LANDERS: This is sort of a delicate subject and I hope you can change the words around a little and get this in the paper somehow. If I received a letter from you on this subject my mother would kill me.

I own several nice sweaters, but I have nothing to put in them. (I hope you get this.) I've seen ads for creams and salves but some of my girl friends who sent away for them said they didn't work very well.

I just heard that exercising with dumbbells helps. They are pretty expensive but I would buy them if I thought they would do something for me. Please advise. I am desperate.—MISS 32.

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Dear Miss 32: Exercising with dumbbells will definitely "do something" for you. They will develop your arm and back muscles and you'll look like a wrestler. They will also help the guy who sells you the dumbbells. He will make a profit.

If you're as desperate as all that, go to a lingerie shop and buy what you need. It makes much better sense.

DEAR ANN LANDERS: I'm the wife of a public relations man. My husband is 34, handsome, has a fabulous personality and a gift of gab second to none. Maybe that's the problem. He's such a smooth talker I don't know if I'm on foot or horseback.

Four or five nights a week he's out until 3.30 in the morning "entertaining customers." Frequently he phones at ungodly hours to say he's had too much to drink and is afraid to drive home. So he spends the night in a hotel.

I'm beginning to think he is lying to me. We have an eight-year-old son who never sees his father. I was brought up in a strict home and it doesn't seem right for a husband to be out so late so often. He says if I like the money and a comfortable home I have to put up with it because it's part of his job. What does this sound like to you?—Alone Too Much.

Dear Alone: It sounds as if your husband's terrific selling ability isn't restricted to customers. Tell him it's a great line, but you aren't buying. Tell him to let some single man entertain visiting firemen or he can spend every night in hotel rooms — and mail the support cheques.

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Realities of Life Come as Shock To 'Equal' Co-ed

VANCOUVER (CP)—The college co-ed may be in for quite a jolt when she leaves the ivy-covered hall for the outside world, says Dorothy Mawdsley, who retires in June after almost two decades as dean of women at the University of British Columbia.

"We just can't convince our women students they will take a far different path through life than the men," she said. "When it happens it's a shock.

"Here they have perfect equality with the men.

SAME PROBLEMS

"They share the same problems with the man—in classrooms, brains and work are the only criteria.

"And out of the classroom the co-ed has a wonderful time. There are three men to every woman and our girls have a magnificent date life."

After graduation, said Miss Mawdsley, "they discover that as a general rule senior positions are not given to women.

"They will probably marry and have children. They discover their role changing and fierce competition is out of place."

"And if they're smart," Miss Mawdsley added, "they realize nothing bores men more than a woman screaming about 'women's rights'."

Why educate women in the same way as men?

"Because every woman should be able to provide for her own livelihood if she should need it," Miss Mawdsley said. "University-educated women usually can find jobs that utilize their talents."

IMPORTANT ROLE

Miss Mawdsley said educated women play an important role in the community—"If a woman's group becomes interested in mentally-retarded children and one of its members was educated as a lawyer, she can inform them of the legal aspects of the problem so the group works in a constructive rather than emotional manner."

Miss Mawdsley has been on the UBC staff for 32 years, except for a few years at Vancouver's King Edward High School. She has taught English all these years and has had the added duties of dean for 19 years.

Showing her students the beautiful grain of a piece of driftwood is Mrs. Henry Piedt, Y instructor, right, with Mrs. Lillias Little, left, and Mrs. Jean Evans, centre.—(Colonist photo)

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Music Forged Lifelong Bond

GREAT BROMLEY, England (AP)—Leonard Hobden and Elsie Catling were married Saturday in the wheelchairs in which they spend their lives. Leonard, 39, and Elsie, 48, are patients in a home for permanent cripples.

"Our interest in music brought us together," said the bride. "We will continue to live in the home."

Pioneer Woman

Creative Hands Fashion Beauty

By ANNE SMELLIE

A Victorian, whose claim is she can make anything but money is Mrs. Henry Piedt, 3248 Rutledge Street.

It's no idle claim.

She has two very valuable things—a creative mind and a pair of hands to work out her ideas.

By profession, she is a furrier.

By choice, she's a pioneer woman who knows how to work with her hands to bring out the beauty of the natural resources all around her.

We caught Mrs. Piedt at one of her favorite hobbies at the YWCA recently — teaching an eager group of 15 how to utilize the driftwood that lies so uselessly on our beaches.

Spread out on a table were samples of her work, gleaming, tortured shapes of wood that were in the process of becoming things of beauty as decorations, lamps or planters.

Four nights a week, you'll find Mrs. Piedt at the 'Y' instructing in the Spring courses. She teaches ceramics, fitting and alterations, painting and drawing as well as the driftwood course.

She explains her versatility away by saying she has "a tremendous desire to create and share stemming from younger days in Saskatchewan amid pioneer conditions."

Mrs. Piedt, born in Shelbrook, Sask., has lived in Victoria for 18 years.

Her home on Rutledge Street is filled with products of her own imagination for she likes to dabble in many things. And all she does she does well with little or no formal training.

Another field in which Mrs. Piedt shines is camping and outdoor work with Girl Guides; she's been with them as instructor in crafts for nine years.

Big Day for 23 Girls

Guides to Get Gold Cords

Twenty-one excited Girl Guides from the Mainland have a special journey ahead of them Wednesday.

The journey is a trip on two navy frigates — HMCS Jonquiere and New Waterford — to Victoria.

Once here, the girls will rendezvous with two Victoria Guides and all 23 will receive gold cord certificates from His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor.

SPECIAL LUNCH

The gold cord ceremony will take place at 2.30 p.m. Thursday. Prior to the service, the girls will be entertained at luncheon by His Honor and Mrs. Frank Ross.

Mrs. A. Fred Wilkes, provincial commissioner, will "charge" the girls who will repeat their Guide promise.

CITY RECIPIENTS

The two Victoria Guides to receive gold cords are Diana Livesay, 52 Sylvan Lane, and Doris Watters, 930 Snowdrop Avenue.

Provincial annual meeting of the Canadian Girl Guide Association covers the period April 2 to April 4 beginning with closed conferences April 2.

CIVIC GREETINGS

Registration, colors and civic greetings begin at 10 a.m. Friday, April 3, and the day will be highlighted by a dinner at the Empress Hotel that evening at 6.30 p.m. when special guests will be His Honor and Mrs. Ross. Guest speaker will be Mr. Willard Ireland, provincial archivist.

Awards for outstanding service to the movement, granted by the Canadian Council to leaders of the movement in B.C. will be presented following the dinner.

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By Mary Sue Miller

HAIR FASHION FORECAST. As forecast by the National Hairdressers' Association, the key to new hair styles is control. Wind-tossed curls and shaggy tips give way to gentled waves.

In the new "do's," the hair is treated as whole cloth—not as tattered remnants. It is smooth on the crown, full but smooth at the sides and smoothly waved over the ears. The movement flows from the back of the head. Hair at the nape moves upward in soft waves. At the brow, it is contoured so as to halo the face.

Light and airy, but controlled and well-groomed, the effect is highly feminine. It can be highly flattering, too. Individualized shaping by a professional is what turns the tricks.

As for manageability, few hair fashions have ever been so easy to care for. Once the hair is given a soft permanent, these styles can be arranged to perfection between weekly sets with a flick of a hairbrush. There's no fiddling with endy curls or stragglers. There simply none to fiddle with. All the hairs on your head act as one!

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What's your hair problem? You will find a way to overcome it in my 16-page booklet, Rule Your Waves. Advice includes: beauty treatments for oily, dry, and normal hair; ways to manage unruly locks; how to add color and highlights; tips on cutting, permanents and styling; grooming tricks. Write me in care of this newspaper for your copy, enclosing a large, self-addressed stamped envelope and 20c in coin.

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Clubs and Societies

Fashion Show to Raise Funds To Pay Delegate's Expenses

In an effort to raise funds to send a delegate to Quebec for the Girls' Auxiliary, Anglican Church conference in August, the GA of St. Luke's Church will sponsor a fashion show next Saturday (April 4).

The affair wil be held in the parish hall, Cedar Hill Crossroads at 3 p.m. Tea will be served.

Fashions will be from the T. Eaton Company, with ensembles for every age.

Members of the parish will model.

Mrs. G. E. Colgate, Mrs. A. Slocomb, Mrs. W. Atherton and Mrs. H. D. Wallis will show adult fashions, with teen-age styles worn by the Misses Dianne Tyndall, Audrey Thornton, Diane Croft, Anne Pettit, Judy Neuls and Heather Moon. The twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. D. Whittingham will wear children's clothes. Mrs. N. L. Morgan will assist and Mrs. H. T. Croft is general convener.

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Craigflower Women's Institute will meet April 9 at 1.30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. W. Beeston, 145 Island Highway.

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Island Temple, No. 8, Pythian Sisters, will hold a special meting Tuesday, March 31, at 8 p.m. in the Knights of Pythias Hall, to receive Grand Chief Mrs. Grace Osolin of Parksville on her official visit.

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Old-Age Pensioners, Victoria Branch No. 5, will hold a home-cooking and apron sale Thursday, April 2, at 1.30 p.m. in the Moose Hall, 512 Fort Street. This will take the place of the regular meeting for the month of April.

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Under the auspices of the Langford 50 and Up Club, Mrs. B. Stubbs will entertain with her Highland dance class Thursday, April 2, at 2 p.m. in the Cade Memorial Hall, Sunderland Road. Tea will be served.

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St. Mark's WA and Guild will sponsor a tea and sale of work Wednesday, April 1, in the parish hall at 2.30 p.m. There will be home-cooking, delicatessen, apron and fancywork, variety, plants and candy stalls. Mrs. C. Whipple will open the tea.

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Primrose Lodge, No. 32, Daughters of England, will meet Thursday, April 2, at 7.30 p.m. Officers will drill at 7 p.m.

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On April 1 in St. Alban's Church Hall, Ryan Street, Mrs. F. W. Hayes will open the Easter tea, sale of work and home-cooking at 2.30 p.m.

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To save life, to protect essential services, and to minimize destruction to property.

These objectives of Civil Defence were outlined at the recent meeting of the Business and Professional Women's Club by Commodore V. S. Godfrey, guest speaker.

He explained further that the exercises in the Victoria area were based on the survival plan which deals with evacuation and that Civil Defence was set up to deal with natural causes such as floods as well as wartime disasters.

A film on this topic entitled "A Day Called X" was shown by Mr. Frank Burrow.

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Sir James and Lady Douglas Chapter, IODE, will meet at headquarters at 2.15 p.m. April 2.

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Delegate from the Major John Hebden Gillespie chapter to the provincial annual IODE meeting will be Mrs. V. Downard, first vice-regent.

The annual meeting will be held April 14 to 16 in the Empress Hotel.

At the chapter's recent meeting, it was decided to hold a rummage sale Wednesday, May 13 in the CCF hall with Mrs. H. Molyneaux as convener.

The following conveners were named: Mrs. P. Bell, Mrs. W. Laudrum, Mrs. R. Hocking, Mrs. H. Rennie, Mrs. J. Pollard, Mrs. A. Laundy, Mrs. H. Molyneaux, Mrs. D. M. Trew.

Next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. J. Speck on April 28.

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